

To John Bruce

7 Jan 40

My dear Sir

Your note, on the
subject of it rather,
must remain over,
with the proof, until
the Brit. Museum opens
again. It will only be
a day or two.

Of course I shall
be most happy if Mr
Bruce will take the
trouble to look over Lord

Leicester's Dispatches
and tell me whether
any of them, or any
parts of them have
been published - or
whether they exist
elsewhere.

I have a short
paper in progress for
the Genl. Mag. if you
think it worth while
to have it. Of course I
cannot write for nothing
but you are welcome
to it on the usual terms.

If not, I will send
it elsewhere. It relates

to another Italian Play
which has been put
into my hands, ~~going~~
which Shakespeare
must have ended when
he wrote Twelfth Night.
I shall put my name
to the Article which
may occupy four or
five pages.

Yrs. very truly

J. P. Collier

24 Brompton Sq
Jan'y 7th 1840

[Faint, illegible handwriting, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page. The text is mirrored and difficult to decipher.]